

By Karishma Vaswani

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/asia-pacific/8631248.stm>

Some countries establish political tyrannies while leaving people alone in their religious beliefs. Unfortunately, Eritrea fears freedom of conscience in any form. Freedom House pointed to "significant limitations on the exercise of faith." A review directed by Paul Marshall of the Hudson Institute explained that "The government had long used the threat of real or perceived enemies to generate popular support." Those targeted include religious believers. Noted **the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom**, "government spokespersons have cited Pentecostals, along with Muslim extremists, as tAccording to reports the US Commission on International Religious Freedom said that blasphemy laws often cause tension between religious communities.

If Indonesia's constitutional court had overturned the law, other religions would have been allowed to practice freely here. hreats to national security."